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To Whom it may concern,

My name is Michael Updike. I am the I.T. Director for a small private school in Indianapolis, IN called The Oaks Academy. We are a nonprofit private school with a mission to provide an excellent education to children from low income families. This year we filed our E-Rate form 470 a little late, on the 8th of March due to a few circumstances, including the fact that I was given new responsibilities regarding standardized tests, and was focused on that responsibility at the time. Because of the requirement that a full 28 days goes by before a form 471 can be filed, we will not be able to file a form 471 until April 5th despite the deadline of March 22nd. This letter is to humbly ask that we be allowed to file our form 471 on the 5th so that we can receive funding in 2018. We have come to depend on the E-Rate funding for our fiber-optic Internet connections. Especially now that our state is requiring standardized testing to be taken solely on computers, these reliable Internet connections are a must for us.

Thank you for your consideration,

Michael Updike Director of Information Technology The Oaks Academy

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